

REMARKS

Applicants received a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 9, 2009 in which the Examiner indicates that the amendments to the Specification/Drawings and the amendments to the Claims are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. According to the Examiner the Drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d). Further according to the Examiner not every claim has been provided with a proper status identifier. In particular the Examiner noted that claim 14 is preceded by the status identifier (Previously Presented), but contains changes/amendments to the text relative to the immediate prior version and thus should be preceded by the status identifier (Currently Amended). Applicants submit that the above corrections to the Amendments to the Drawings and the Amendments to the Claims correct the non-compliance as discussed herein. The Non-Compliant Amendment submitted July 23, 2009 is in response to a Non-Final Office Action and therefore applicants include in this response only corrected sections of the Non-Compliant Amendment as set forth in MPEP 714(II)(F)(C). Applicants request entry of the Non-Compliant Amendment of July 23, 2009 together with this Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims in view of the corrected amendments and the remarks as submitted on July 23, 2009.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action by the Examiner is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that issues may be resolved by a telephone interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,
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